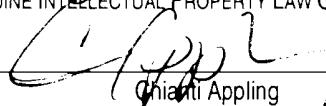




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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE
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AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES.**

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Dear Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated July 21, 2003 containing a Notice To Comply With Requirements For Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence And/Or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures.

The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- 1) A petition to extend the period of response for one month;
- 2) A copy of the Notice to Comply With Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence And/Or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures;
- 3) A paper copy of the sequence listing; and
- 4) A computer readable form of the sequence listing

Please amend the claims and/or specification as follows.